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**National Science Foundation
U.S. Antarctic Program Blue Ribbon Panel
Notice of Meeting**

In accordance with Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, as amended), the National Science Foundation announces the following meeting:

NAME: U.S. Antarctic Program Blue Ribbon Panel Review, #76826

DATE/TIME: January 24, 2012, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
January 25, 2012, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

PLACE: National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Room 1295, Arlington, VA 22230

TYPE OF MEETING: OPEN

CONTACT PERSON: Sue LaFratta, Office of Polar Programs (OPP). National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230. (703) 292-8030.

MINUTES: May be obtained from the contact person listed above.

PURPOSE OF MEETING: The Panel will conduct an independent review of the current U.S. Antarctic Program to ensure the nation is pursuing the best twenty-year trajectory for conducting science and diplomacy in Antarctica – one that is environmentally sound, safe, innovative, affordable, sustainable, and consistent with the Antarctic Treaty.

AGENDA: Present the Panel with additional programmatic information related to opportunities and challenges for Antarctic research and research support; discussion of

other Agency requirements for research and support in Antarctica; planning for additional meetings.

Susanne Bolton
Committee Management Officer

Dated: January 5, 2012

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